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The Pastor Speaks

"Grace that is Sufficient"
II Corin. 12:9 "My Grace is sufficient for thee".

The important word in this sentence is the little verb "is". It is in the present tense. If His Grace is sufficient now it will be sufficient tomorrow - for tomorrow will be the "Present" and today will be in the past. We don't need tomorrow's Grace until tomorrow. A man no more can take in a supply of Grace for the future than he can eat enough today to last him for the rest of the week. God's Grace is supplied moment to moment as we need it. Yes, "My Grace is sufficient for thee."

Paul suffered from a thorn in the flesh and prayed three times that it might be removed. The Lord did not take away his thorn but rather said, "I will give you Grace -- so that you may be able to bear it and turn it into victory in your life."

If you're passing through deep waters and God has not seen fit to relieve your troubles then remember there is Grace available to you so that by faith you may receive a even greater blessing. If you had known before-hand the trial of today you would have been despaired and felt you could never bear it. But today His Grace is there. You didn't need Grace for this trial, until this trial came. We must draw upon God's Grace as we need it and then we find out that His Grace is sufficient. We do not receive Grace for tomorrow's testings until tomorrow's testing comes!

Put more food on an infants plate than it needs and it will only play with it and waste it-- the same is true with spiritual babes in Christ!

"Through many dangers toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis Grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and Grace will lead me home'.

Rev. Earnie W. Lucas
Bible Baptist Church
Appomattox, Va. 24522

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Practice Drill For Firemen

Where's there's NO smoke, there probably isn't a fire--as in the case above, at the parking lot on South Church Street Thursday night. But firemen of Appomattox were out there anyway, practicing fire fighting techniques with the newest fire engine and a spray of water strong enough to deliver a powerful spray if and when it's needed. Nearest the camera, at left, is A. G. Gaines watching three volunteers with the hose spray; Spud Almond, Bill Woody and C. R. Wooldridge, (At right): O. B. Garris, Donald Giles, G. H. Jamerson, Dick Bass and Earl Martin. Recent fire calls have included one to a house near Spout Spring. Firemen rescued furniture and belongings for the man who occupied the home which could not been saved. Another call was for a grease fire in Appomattox last week but the blaze was soon extinguished.

Campbell Outstanding Agri. Electrification

Ronald Hayden Campbell, 16, has been named to receive the area award of the FFA Foundation for agricultural electrification. Ronald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kermit H. Campbell, RFD 1, Appomattox.

An Appomattox County High School junior, Ronald was recognized for carrying out a variety of projects in electricity including work experience with his father in wiring homes.

His accomplishments will be considered along with those of five other area winners for the state award. Presentation of the state award will be a feature of the State FFA Convention of Blacksburg June 12-15.

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

PERSONAL LETTER

Lesson for June 11, 1972

Background Scripture: Psalms 119:9-19, 97-104; Timothy 3: 14-17
Devotional Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-6.

Soren Kierkegaard, the Danish theologian, once commented: "The Bible is a letter from God with our personal address on it."

Kierkegaard was right: whenever men discover or rediscover the Bible, it is because they have found it speaking very personally to them and their situation.

Several years ago former television and screen actress Ann Sothern suffered a serious illness which left her emotionally broken. Small matters, disturbances, fears, and concerns were all magnified out of proportion. Insecure, she felt hemmed in on all sides. She found it almost impossible to make decisions, much less face the cameras.

Her Personal Address

The actress concluded that she needed some spiritual resources. She began to pray, asking simply for faith and strength. She also turned to the Bible and some of its great devotional passages. One day when her daughter was getting ready for school for her first serious examination, the actress found herself saying: "What makes you think He's deserted you when you need him?".

Suddenly, she realized that the question was applicable to herself and her own situation. As if in answer, she found Paul's testimony to the church at Philippi: "I can do all things in him who strengthens me" (Philippians 4: 13). From this day forward she began to search diligently through the Bible for the power to meet the demands of her daily life. The words were those of Paul, but the message was from God and it had upon it her personal address. Through a letter written almost two thousand years ago, God was able to speak to her and heal her life.

From Childhood

In 2 Timothy 3:15, the writer says, "... how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings . . ." The Bible can be discovered by a man at any time in his life, yet it is best if he makes that discovery early. The best relationship with the Bible is the relationship that has had time to grow and ripen.

To Timothy is given the advice, ". . . continue in what you have learned . . . " (3:14). Thus, our experience with the Bible is to become a growing relationship. What we have already learned becomes the basis for continued new learning. And these human words, written and spoken thousands of years ago, are the means whereby God can speak to us today, thus making the Bible "a letter from God with our personal address on it."

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PASTORS WILL EXCHANGE PULPITS

The Reverend V. L.Hudson pastor of Evergreen Baptist Church and the Reverend Robert Harris, pastor of Millstone Baptist Church, Charlotte county, will exchange pulpits this Sunday for the morning service at 11 a.m.

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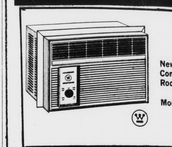

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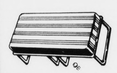

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acher of Teachers r Sunday Schools

Mark Saurs, of Rich- former Rosetta Stan- ppomattox, received the Degree in Christian from Presbyterian Christian Education in conclusion exercises held Richmond.

Saurs has been appoint- ctor of the director of Work at Presbyterian Christian Education, ncement made during ee ceremonies.

of three children, urs has successfully 6 60-credit hour pro- receive her master's

Saurs was recently fea- article in the "Rich- ews Leader" written by Hall. The writer quot- Saurs as saying "I the greatest need as I the church was in church education."

Saurs expanded this by adding, "The pub- ls have made such tre- progress in the way of ded learning and team ng. But the church have fallen behind."

old method of having sit there while teach- n't working. My right now is concerned ning teachers of chil- ester teachers."

e of Appomattox, Mrs. the daughter of Mr. and . Bagley. She received e's degree from Madi- ge and taught chemistry ry in Natural Bridge. r she returned to Appo- she served as prin- Cartville Elementary

says that her decision to school four years ago t sort of a gradual ment", resulting from years as a Sunday acher at the Tuckahoe rian Church and her ations in leadership and are lab schools tion education teach-

a fulltime mother of 16, and daughters, 13 and Yuri, 11, forc-

SCHOOL AT

PE BAPTIST

ve had an opportunity e teachers of the New School, June 12-16; ls learned something ers. Now we want you our music director, th Holliday and her Mrs. Ann Reynolds. ers have contributed to the music of our at we are looking for- bearing the new music School. Mrs. Holliday oped around in Rich- desirable music, and that she and Ann will something that will be to all ages. Come and e new songs with us, the them!

area of our work is portant to our pupils- efreshments. Mrs. Irvin Mrs. Mary Garrett, and ssie Ferguson have her our teachers and hrough many years of schools. It's always re- to know that one of hers will save you some- in case you are not when they serve the

ore we leave you, we'll the director, Mrs. Gilbert, and the assist- Brenda Almond, Bren- helping to lead and the joint activities. ream and quick smile her a big hit with the former years she has pupil and a capable e, so she will have no this year. I'm sure, on Sat., June 10, at er registration, a quick ne daily program, and a

ATTEND MASSING OF STATE FLAGS

Mrs. Thelma Martin, Miss Mamie Cullop, Mrs. Tilden Lee, Mrs. Jim Childers, Mrs. Lena Eversole and Mrs. Louise Plunkett all attended the massing of the flags at the Jefferson Davis Monument in Richmond on Saturday, June 3, birthdate of the Confederate State president.

Mrs. Plunkett was given the honor of carrying one of the fourteen state flags of the Confederacy, along with Mrs. H. B. Frost, Jr., the Va. Division president who carried the state Mrs. Grace Winters and presented her with a Real Daughter's pin. They also visited Mrs. Ann Lee, great-niece of General Robert E. Lee, who is also a resident of the home.

The group also visited Mrs. Morris Ferguson, of Richmond, for luncheon on that same day. She is the sister of Miss Mamie Cullop.

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The group visited the Confederate home and visited with

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St. Luke

Regular preaching and communion services were observed at the St. Luke Baptist Church Sunday, June 4, 1972. Rev. McLaughlin was in charge. The message for the day was uplifting. Subject "Leaning on God". Music by the Jr. Choir was much enjoyed. The offering was good - $726.00 There was a good attendent.

On May 28th the deacons of the St. Luke Church gave a program and Rev. E.R. Berryman gave the message "Walking with God." This was very good and the returns was wonderful.

Rev. and Mrs. McLaughlin were week end guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Canada and Mrs. Louise Marshall.

Dinner guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Goldsberry Smith, Sunday, June 4, were Rev. and Mrs. G. N. Marshall and children, Mrs. Crafton Proffitt, Mr. and Mrs. Lyncon Yuille, Mrs. Phyllis Hubard and children, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Canada and Mrs. Louise Marshall, Mrs. Inez Patrick was guest in the same home, also, Mr. Henry Lee Yuille was a dinner guest.

The Cornerstone Baptist Convention will meet in a (1) one

Awarded Degree In Pharmacy

Larry Wayne Guill, of Appomattox, was graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University Sat., June 3 with the degree of bachelor of science in pharmacy. He is also a graduate of Appomattox High School.

Among those attending the ceremonies were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Guill, his wife, the former Linda Love, also of Appomattox, and an aunt, Mrs. Earl Connelly.

Larry Wayne Guill has accepted a position with Revco Drugs, Inc. in Madison Heights, Virginia.

Mrs. Guill has accepted a position as a head nurse at Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Guill, Mrs. Larry Wayne Guill, and Mrs. Connelly spent Saturday in Richmond. They enjoyed a luncheon at VCU and were a part of the audience at the Coliseum where 2300 graduates were presented diplomas.

day session at the Mt. Calvary Baptist Church. July 13, 1972 Hoping to see all Sunday Schools represented.

'Still Need For Scout Leaders'

The Appomattox Service Unit, Girl Scouts, met Wednesday evening, May 31 at the home of Mrs. Harry Alderson, Service Unit chairman.

Three troop leaders are still needed in Appomattox in order that the county can have a full Scouting program, according to Lib Alderson, chairman of the Unit, an opinion backed up by Eunice Paulette, District II field director and the rest of the service unit who is composed of troop leaders and others interested in Scouting.

Ann Burleigh (Mrs. H.T.), of Concord, says that an attempt is being made to organize Brownie Scouting in Concord. The troop leaders needed in Appomattox include Brownie, Junior and Senior troops.

CAMP VACANCIES

There are still vacancies at Camp Sacajawea, Lynchburg, for Scouts in a day-camping program, according to Mrs. Paulette. Interested Scouters may want to contact their troop leaders for further details. Delta Zeta Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, plans to offer transportation to the camp for a few Junior Scouts, and more offers of transportation are needed.

The hostess at Wednesday night's meeting served homemade strawberry ice cream, cake, coffee and soft drinks, items contributed by Service Unit members.

A Girl Scout pin and purse cologne was presented to Martha Stimpson for serving as publicity aide to the Service Unit and to Scouting during her ten-year stay in Appomattox. Mrs. Stimpson has accepted a position in Brookneal and will be leaving Appomattox June 9th.

This is Girl Scouting's 60th year, and a Scout pin with a 60-year emblem plus a gift of cologne was presented to Martha Stimpson (2nd from left) by the Appomattox Girl Scout Service, Unit meeting May 31 (seen from left, front row): the hostess, Lib Alderson, Martha Stimpson, Eunice Paulette, field director; Gladys Moon. (2nd row): Louise Parris, Margaret Thompson, Gail Flint, Nancy Elder.

Boys Plantation Holds Annual Awards Banquet

Patrick Henry Boys Plantation held the Annual Awards Banquet last week with the award presentations being made by Mr. Robert W. McCullough, Executive Director assisted by Dr. and Mrs. Lee W. Shaffer of Roanoke, Va. The awards program which was initiated by Dr. and Mrs. Shaffer is highlighted by the Shaffer Outstanding Citizenship Award which was presented to Frank Mantiply and the Shaffer Academic Improvement Award which was presented to Gary Hampton. The recipients of these two awards received a beautiful trophy, a $25.00 savings account and their names were inscribed on a permanent plaque which is displayed at the Plantation.

In addition, the intramural cottage awards was presented. In the English Cottage, Mike Wade was the Ping Pong Champion, Ricky Ryder the Checker Champion, Bobby Sutton the Pool Champion and Darrell Sutton the Chess Champion. In the Stephens Cottage, Nobby Hicks was the Ping Pong Champion, D. Hill the Pool Champion, John Hutton the Checker Champion and Nobby Hicks the Chess Champion.

Each Cottage champion received a trophy appropriately inscribed.

Mrs. William Page Williams, a member of the Board of Directors, made a brief talk in which she congratulated the boys on their many achievements this year.

VISITOR TRACING FAMILY TREE

Mrs. Robert Alker, of Washington, D. C. was a visitor in Appomattox on Friday. She is doing genological research in the family lines of Pryor, Wingfield and Ballou.

She is the author of a family study, "Pryors In America' complete with copies of old portraits. She has a standing offer of $50 for anyone who can furnish the name of eachparent of three Revolutionary War Prior or Pryor brothers in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania Militia in 1781, John, Nathan and Timothy. There were probably other brothers, she says, Luther, Robert, Henry and Isaac and their father may have been Isaac Prior, Sr.

She and her family lineage will be a part of a publication set for this summer, 'Living Descendants of Royal Blood," published by Count D'-Angerville, in England. This royal reference is through the Wingfield family line (her mother) with the Wingfields tracing ancestors back to King Edward I of England.

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